Honolulu, Hawaii February 28, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2533 H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2533, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage fair elections by establishing a public funding program beginning for elections to the State House of Representatives, with the 2016 election.

This measure also repeals provisions under the existing partial public financing program specifically applicable to candidates for the Office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Senator, and State Representative pertaining to campaign expenditure limits, maximum amounts of public funding, and minimum amounts of qualifying contributions.

Progressive Democrats of Hawaii, Common Cause Hawaii, Open Law Alliance, and several individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. Several individuals provided testimony in opposition to this measure. The Campaign Spending Commission, Voter Owned Hawaii, Americans for Democratic Action-Hawaii, League of Women Voters of Hawaii, and an individual provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Appropriating an unspecified amount from the general fund to the Hawaii Election Campaign Fund;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, for the purpose of facilitating further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2533, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2533, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

SYLVIA LOKE, Chail

State of Hawaii House of Representatives

The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral: Date:			
HB 2533, HD1	JUD, FIN		2/19/2014	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (VC)				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.		DWGGGTH=W, -4, T	Network Michigan Tay Nantharmy of minterior management	
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. ING, Kaniela				FARS THE STREET STREET
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
9. LOWEN, Nicole E. 10. MORIKAWA, Dee				
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. WOODSON, Justin H.		MARKET STATE OF THE PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY AS		W FAR & CAPPERSONNEL AND REPORT OF A BENNING OF
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
16. FUKUMOTO, Beth				
17. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (17)	14	2		\
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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